

ECONOMIC INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE  
SUBCOMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Minutes of the Meeting Held on 20 September 1957

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Meeting convened at 1000 hours.

There were present:

Mr. Earl Cox	Army, Chairman
Mr. Donald W. Allman	Commerce
Mr. Frank E. Armbruster	Air Force
Mr. Wayne E. Borden	Air Force
Lt. Cmdr. John A. Dugger	Navy

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Mr. William F. Farrell	Army
Mr. R. H. Foley	Army
Dr. R. H. Gere	Air Force
Cmdr. Ross R. Hirshfeld, USN	JCS
Capt. Donald H. Lanier	JCS
Mr. Frank McCaffrey	OSD
Mr. Martin McMahon	Maritime Administration
Lt. Col. Lowell G. Moore	Army
Dr. Gifford P. Orwen	Air Force
Mr. C. H. Ferry	Army
Dr. Gustav Pollaczek	State
Mr. Harold F. Smith	Army
Mr. Ernst A. Van Es	Commerce

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Report of the Chairman

1. Information: Mr. Cox reported the appointment of Colonel Richard Kimball as Transportation Consultant to the Army Member, Subcommittee on Transportation, EIC.

Mr. Cox reported that he had received a commendation on the Transportation Capabilities Estimates Group's draft paper on EIC R9 S1, "Capability of the Trans-Siberian Railroad," from [redacted], formerly Executive Secretary, Economic Intelligence Committee (EIC) and now Special Assistant to the Deputy Director for Coordination of the Director of Central

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Intelligence. Mr. Coxe pointed out that the agenda was an extremely long one and that it might be necessary to postpone some of the items for consideration at a meeting to be called during the following week.

Report of the Secretary

2. Information: The Secretary called to the attention of the membership a memorandum being circulated by [redacted] Secretary of the Intelligence Advisory Committee, from [redacted] Deputy Director (Coordination), addressed to the Chairmen and Executive Secretaries of IAC Subcommittees, requesting that the Office of the Deputy Director for Coordination be placed on the mailing list of Subcommittees to receive notifications of meetings and agendas, as well as minutes and other principal papers relating to such meetings. The memorandum also pointed out that [redacted] or members of his staff [redacted] may wish from time to time to attend meetings of committees or otherwise contact officials.

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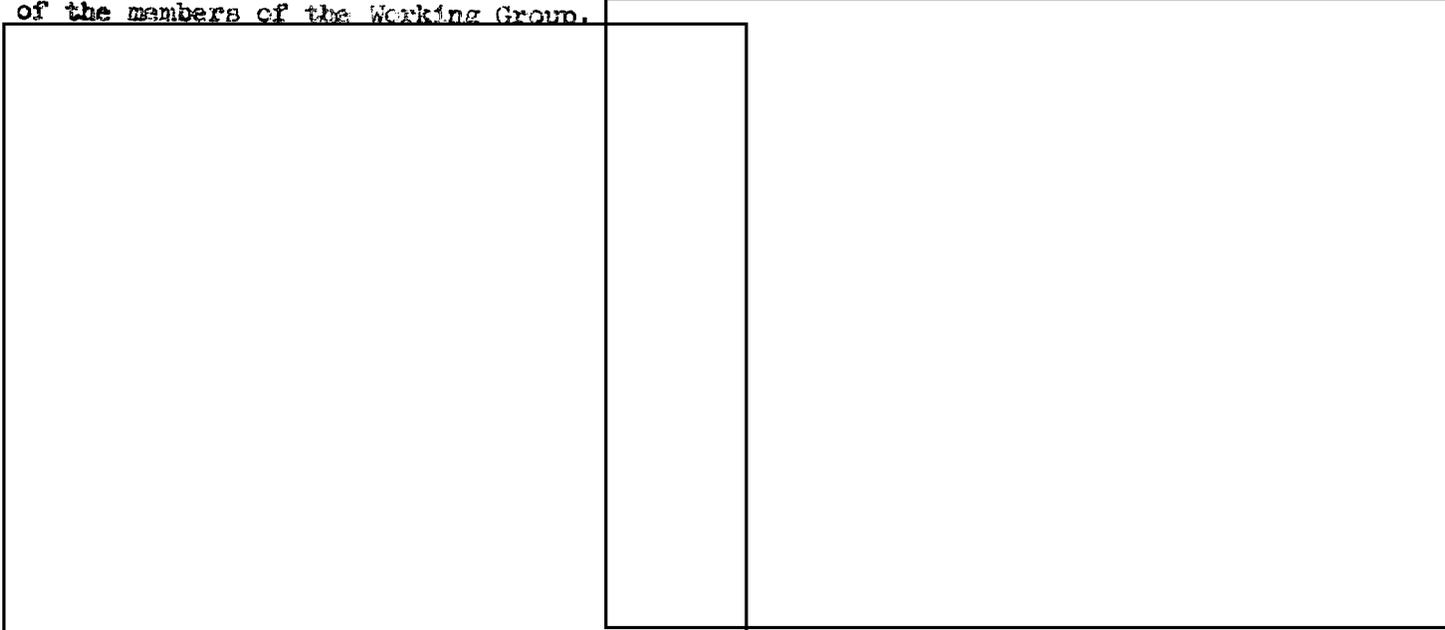
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Consideration of the Paper Prepared by the Working Group on the Computation of Port Capacity, entitled: "Methodology for Computing Port Capacity."

3. Information: Mr. Coxe pointed out that this paper had been prepared by the Working Group on the Computation of Port Capacity and had been distributed to the members some time ago. He then called on various members of the Working Group who were present at the meeting for comments on the paper. Mr. Allman said that the paper did not have full support of the members of the Working Group.

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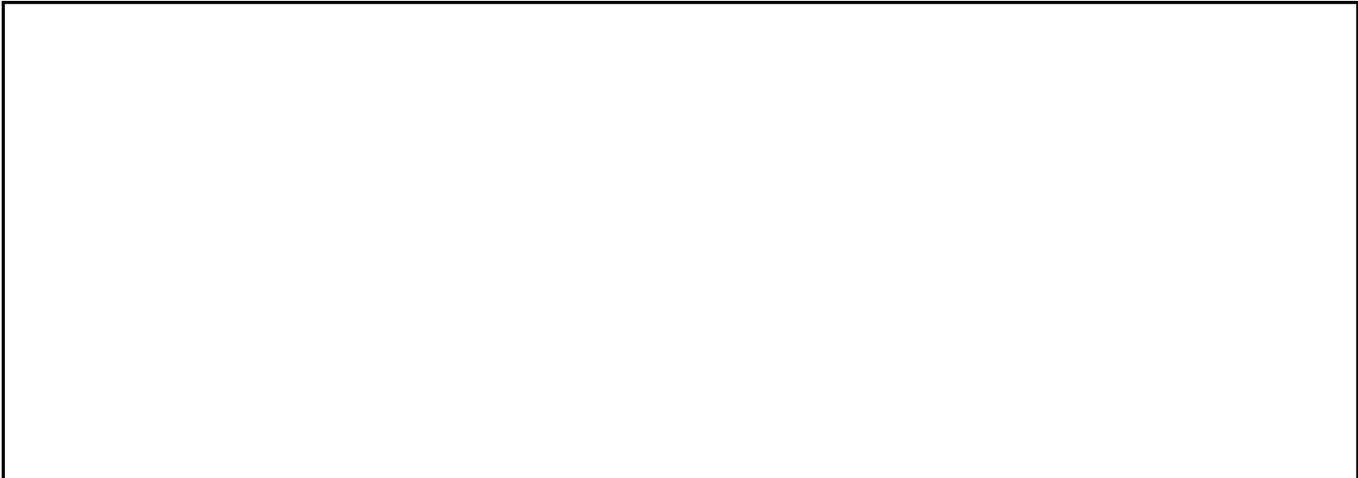
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4. Action: The Subcommittee decided to note the receipt of the paper and to provide distribution of it as needed. The Chairman and Secretary were requested to prepare a note to be affixed to the paper in the event that it should be disseminated further. The note would point out the limitations of the paper.

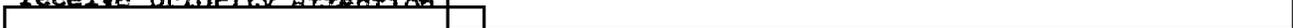
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Discussion of Availability of Intelligence on Transportation in Communist China.

7. Information: The Secretary stated that he had been requested by the EIC Secretariat to call the attention of the Subcommittee to findings in the field of transportation of the Post Mortem on NIE 13-57, "Communist China Through 1961." The Post Mortem pointed out that the volume of railroad inland waterway and highway traffic, among other things, should continue to receive priority attention.

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The Subcommittee thought it would be desirable for transportation specialists on China working in the various agencies to assemble, compare sources and discuss problems associated with the preparation of the transportation estimate for NIE 13-58.

8. Action: The membership agreed to submit to the Secretary the names of China transportation specialists in the various agencies so that a meeting for these specialists could be arranged at an early date. The purpose of the meeting would be to compare sources and to discuss mutual problems.

Report of the Chairman of the Working Group on Highway Capacity

9. Information: [Redacted] Chairman of the Working Group, reported in detail on the progress being made in the preparation of a methodology for the computation of highway capability. He estimated

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that the work of the group would be completed by the end of the calendar year.

Discussion of the Program of the Transportation Capabilities Estimates Group

10. Information: Mr. Coxne pointed out that the Transportation Capabilities Estimates Group had now completed its paper on the Capability of the Trans-Siberian Railroad and that he would like an expression of views on the future work of this group. He pointed out that there was considerable sentiment for the completion of the railroad section of the so-called WSEG paper, EIC P6, "Soviet Bloc's Transportation Capability to Launch and Support Campaigns into the Area Between the Baltic Sea and the Alps." This paper was completed in draft form some time ago and now needs only to be updated in the light of any information received since that date. Mr. Coxne pointed out further than the TCEG intended to reassemble for discussion of their work program on 24 September.

11. Action: The Subcommittee agreed that completion of the railroad section of the WSEG study would be an appropriate assignment for the Transportation Capability Estimates Group.

Consideration of the Report Prepared by the TCEG, entitled: "Capability of the Trans-Siberian Railroad," EIC R9S1

12. Information: The Secretary distributed a memorandum prepared by [redacted] on this paper. Because of the lateness of the hour Mr. Coxne suggested that this memorandum as well as detailed discussion of the paper be postponed until 1000 hours on September 26th.

13. Action: The Subcommittee agreed to reconvene at the time suggested by the Chairman.

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